Page 36, line 3, change "protien" to --protein--;
line 6, change "matricies" to --matrices*-;
line 10, change "seive" to --sieve--;
line 18, change "Publisrers" to --Publishers--;

Page 39, line 1, change "futher" to --further +;

Page 40, line 27, change "Futhermore" to --Furthermore-

line 12, change "seperating" to --separating-,
line 12, change "anology" to --analogy-;
line 13, change "significaltly" to --significantly-

Page 79, line 30, change "Immnol.," to --Immunol., \neq ;

Page 90, line 3, after "Dr. Nichols" delete the extra space before the comma;

Page 92, line 21, change "preformed" to --performed-//,

Page 95, line 8, change "descibed" to --described-

Page 98, line 6, change "petide" to --peptide-/;

IN THE CLAIMS

Please cancel claims 2, 5-6, 8 and 10-12 and amend the remaining claims as follows:

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(Amended) An isolated substantially homogeneous <u>human</u> *mpl* ligand [polypeptide] <u>wherein the amino acid sequence of the ligand consists of amino acid residues 1 to X of Fig. 8, where X is residue 153-332.</u>

- (Amended) The mpl ligand [polypeptide] of Claim 1 selected from the group consisting of [(a) the polypeptide that it isolated from a mammal;
 (b)](a) the [polypeptide] mpl ligand that is made by recombinant means; and [(c)] (b) the [polypeptide] mpl ligand that is made by synthetic means.
- 4. (Amended) The mpl ligand [polypeptide] of Claim 1 [selected from the group consisting of
 - (a) the polypeptide that is human; and
 - (b) the polypeptide] that is non-immunogenic in a human.